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It was alleged in the libel that the article was adulterated, in that it consisted in whole or in part of a decomposed vegetable substance.

On April 30, 1927, the Dawson Produce Co., Oklahoma City, Okla., claimant, having admitted the material allegations of the libel, judgment of condemnation and forfeiture was entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product be destroyed by the United States marshal.

W. M. JARDINE, *Secretary of Agriculture.*

15276. Adulteration of tomato catsup. U. S. v. 36 Cases, et al., of Tomato Catsup. Default decrees of condemnation, forfeiture, and destruction. (F. & D. Nos. 21916, 21930, 21931, 21932. I. S. Nos. 13376-x, 13378-x, 13379-x, 13380-x. S. Nos. E-6133, E-6137, E-6138, E-6140.)

On or about May 12, May 20, and May 21, 1927, respectively, the United States attorney for the District of Maryland, acting upon reports by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district libels praying seizure and condemnation of 106 cases and 350 bottles of tomato catsup, remaining in the original unbroken packages at Baltimore, Md., alleging that the article had been shipped by the E. A. Ransing Sons, or by the E. A. Ransing Sons, trading as the Lancaster Vinegar Co., Lancaster, Pa., on or about May 4, 1927, and transported from the State of Pennsylvania into the State of Maryland, and charging adulteration in violation of the food and drugs act. The article was labeled in part: "Ransing Daisy Brand Tomato Catsup * * * E. A. Ransing Sons, Lancaster, Pa., L. V. Co."

It was alleged in the libels that the article was adulterated, in that it consisted in part of a filthy, decomposed, and putrid vegetable substance.

On June 23, June 28, and June 29, 1927, respectively, no claimant having appeared for the property, judgments of condemnation and forfeiture were entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product be destroyed by the United States marshal.

W. M. JARDINE, *Secretary of Agriculture.*

15277. Adulteration of oranges. U. S. v. 372 Boxes of Oranges. Decree of condemnation entered. Product released under bond. (F. & D. No. 21830. I. S. No. 13967-x. S. No. C-5435.)

On or about March 24, 1927, the United States attorney for the Eastern District of Tennessee, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district a libel praying seizure and condemnation of 372 boxes of oranges, remaining in the original unbroken packages at Chattanooga, Tenn., alleging that the article had been shipped by the Nocatee Citrus Growers Assoc., from Nocatee, Fla., on or about March 11, 1927, and transported from the State of Florida into the State of Tennessee, and charging adulteration in violation of the food and drugs act. The article was labeled in part: "Honey Sweet Brand Florida Citrus Exchange * * * Peace River Valley Fruit Nocatee Citrus Growers Assn., Nocatee, Florida."

Examination of the article by this department showed that it consisted in whole or in part of frost-damaged fruit.

It was alleged in substance in the libel that the article was adulterated, in that a product, namely, frosted oranges, or a decomposed vegetable substance, had been substituted wholly or in part for the said article. Adulteration was alleged for the further reason that the article consisted in whole or in part of a decomposed vegetable substance.

On March 26, 1927, J. L. Jenkins Co., Chattanooga, Tenn., having appeared as claimant for the property, judgment of condemnation was entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product be released to the said claimant upon payment of the costs of the proceedings and the execution of a bond in the sum of \$1,000, conditioned in part that it be salvaged under the supervision of this department, and the unfit portion destroyed.

W. M. JARDINE, *Secretary of Agriculture.*

15278. Adulteration and misbranding of butter. U. S. v. 10 Tabs of Butter. Decree of condemnation and forfeiture entered. Product released under bond. (F. & D. No. 22007. I. S. No. 20026-x. S. No. 35.)

On July 21, 1927, the United States attorney for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district a libel praying seizure